

OGC Has Reviewed

Proposal for Legislation to Provide Medical Benefits for Dependents of Employees and Additional Medical Benefits for Employees

Section 5(a)5 of the Act of June 20, 1949 (63 Stat. 208) is hereby repealed.

A new subsection is added at the end of section 5 of said Act of June 20, 1949 (63 Stat. 208) as follows:

'(d) Under such regulations as the Director may prescribe, the Agency shall -

(1) In the event of illness or injury requiring hospitalization of an officer or full-time employee of the Agency or a member of the family of an officer or employee of the Agency whose travel expenses are paid under section 5(a)(1)(B) of this Act, not the result of vicious habits, intemperance, or misconduct on his part, incurred while on assignment outside the continental United States, in a locality where there does not exist a suitable hospital or clinic, pay the travel expenses of such officer or employee by whatever means he shall deem appropriate and without regard to the standardized Government Travel Regulations and section 10 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (47 Stat. 1516; 5 U.S.C. 73b), to the nearest locality where a suitable hospital or clinic exists and on his recovery pay for the travel expenses of his return to his post of duty. If the officer or employee or member of his family is too ill to travel unattended, the Director may also pay the travel expenses of an attendant;

(2) Establish a first-aid station and provide for the services of a nurse at a post at which, in his opinion, sufficient personnel is employed to warrant such a station: PROVIDED, That, in his opinion, it is not feasible to utilize an existing facility.

(3) In the event of illness or injury requiring hospitalization of an officer or full-time employee of the Agency, or a member of the family of such officer or employee whose travel expenses are paid by the Agency under section 5(a)(1)(B) of this Act, not the result of vicious habits, intemperance, or misconduct on his part, incurred while on assignment outside the continental United States pay for the cost or term of such illness or injury at a suitable hospital or clinic; provided, however, that, in the case of illness or injury requiring hospitalization of a member of the family of an officer or full-time employee of the Agency such payments shall continue only for the period such person shall be outside the continental United States or until the officer or employee shall complete his assignment abroad, whichever shall first occur.

(4) Provide for the periodic physical examinations and for the cost of administering inoculations and vaccinations to officers and employees or members of the families of officers or employees whose travel expenses are paid under section 5(e)(1)(B) of this Act.